

MYSORE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TWENTY-SECOND DAY.

Tuesday, 27th March 1956.

The House met in the Assembly Hall, Atara Kacheri, Bangalore, at Twelve of the Clock.

MR. SPEAKER (SRI H. S. RUDRAPPA, B.SC., LL.B.) in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

District Land Mortgage Co-operative Societies' Conference.

Q.—462. Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Malur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether a District Land Mortgage Co-operative Societies Conference took place recently at Kolar ;

(b) whether they are aware that representations are made for (i) opening District Land Mortgage Co-operative Banks, (ii) for issue of land improvement loans by the Land Mortgage Bank and Societies, (iii) reduction of interest ;

(c) if so, the action taken thereon ?

A.—Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture).—

(a) Yes.

(b) (i) Yes. Government do not consider it necessary to open District Land Mortgage Bank.

(ii) Yes. The question is under consideration.

(iii) Yes.

(c) Interest has been reduced with effect from 1st January 1956 as under :—

(1) From Land Mortgage Bank
o Primaries from $6\frac{1}{2}$ per cent to $5\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

(2) From Primaries to ultimate borrowers from $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent to $6\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—To my question (b) regarding the issue of land improvement loans by the Land Mortgage Bank and Societies, you have been pleased to say that the question is under the consideration of Government. May I know for how long this has been under consideration ?

*Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—It is only during this year the matter is under consideration.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Is it true that the Reserve Bank of India and also the Committee set up for survey of rural credit have made a recommendation that the Land Mortgage Societies may be given the responsibility of issuing land improvement loans ?

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—Yes, they have. And the Land Mortgage Bank is making arrangements to issue these loans from the 1st of next month.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—With regard to starting of Land Mortgage Banks at the District Headquarters, may I know the reasons why the Government are not in a position to establish them at the District Headquarters ?

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—We have Land Mortgage Societies at the District Headquarters. Probably it is the intention of the Hon'ble Member to

* Asterisk indicates that the remarks or speeches have not been revised by the Member concerned.

(Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.)

start a District Land Mortgage Bank with a view to see that the loans go through these District Land Mortgage Banks. If we have such Banks, it will be only another intervening agency and that would delay matters to that extent. On the other hand, we have got one at each Taluk Headquarter and they are directly dealing with the Central Land Mortgage Bank and we do not find any difficulty in getting the loans sanctioned.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Has it come to the notice of Government that the clientele of the primary Societies from various places find it very difficult to come to Bangalore all the way and have their loans sanctioned?

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—I do not think that they should come to Bangalore; when once the loan is sanctioned, the amount would go to the Primary Society and there they will disburse the amount.

Mr. SPEAKER.—In order to get the loans sanctioned they will have to come to Bangalore. . . .

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—There is no need to come to Bangalore to get the loans sanctioned, because it is all done on the files and documents that are received in the Central Land Mortgage Bank.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Has it come to the notice of Government that the loanees have got to go to Bangalore to have their loan applications looked into and get them sanctioned if the loans have to be given very early?

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—We have been straightening some of these matters and we have made arrangements to get these loans sanctioned as early as possible. Now some of the loans have been sanctioned within about 2 months. That is a pretty short time. And we are trying to do that without any personal intervention by the applicant himself.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—From the point of view of speedy disposal of loan applications, is it not better that the powers and functions of the Central

Land Mortgage Bank are decentralised and Mortgage Banks are opened at District Headquarters?

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—That is not the viewpoint of the Government. All over India, so far as I know, the Central Land Mortgage Banks are dealing directly with the Primary Societies.

Tangadi Bark (auction).

Q.—310. Sri T. HANUMIAH (Hiriyur—Scheduled Castes).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the amount realised by auction sale of tangadi bark since the last five years up to date in each district in the State;

(b) the names of contractors;

(c) the rate per 'Baram' of tangadi bark;

(d) the wages paid to Harijans in rural areas per 100 lbs. of the said bark (details of wages paid in each district to be furnished);

(e) the number of barams of tangadi bark produced in each district during the last five years till now as the said commodity is usually exported outside the State by rail?

A.—Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture).—

(a) The produce of tangadi and kakke bark will be sold on lease basis once in two years. The information for the last six years from 1950-52, 1952-54, 1954-56 is furnished (*vide* Appendix below).

(b) *Vide* reply to clause (a) above.

(c), (d) and (e) As the produce is sold on lease basis along with kakke bark, the particulars such as rate per baram, wages to be paid to Harijans and the number of barams produced are not available with the Department.